

High School Tuition	3,390.00	
High School Transportation	1,540.00	
Trade School Tuition	181.87	
Trade School Transportation	94.02	
State Wards	650.00	
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Total		\$9,316.93

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. PEASE

FRED L. BEEBE

MRS. GRACE L. KIBBE

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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## To the School Committee of Hampden:

In submitting my first annual report, I wish at the outset to congratulate the town on two circumstances that are very favorable to good schools;—first, on the good fortune of having had the able and kindly leadership of Mr. Frederic A. Wheeler as superintendent of schools for eighteen years past; and, second, on the good fortune of having a school plant as fine as the Hampden Town House. It seems to devolve upon all of us who are actively engaged in administering, supervising, and teaching in Hampden to capitalize as fully as possible upon these benefits and to carry forward the work of the schools in a way that shall be worthy both of past effort and of present opportunity.

## School Attendance

Hampden stands out as an exception to the general condition now prevailing throughout the country; namely, a declining elementary school enrolment. It is said that in the United States as a whole we have one million less pupils in the elementary schools than we had ten years ago. The decline is very widespread in our own state. In many communities the smaller classes have been consolidated, some schools have been closed, and the teaching staff reduced. As shown in the table of

school membership during the five-year period 1932-1937, Hampden presents a contrasting picture to the general situation. Whereas in 1932 Hampden had 107 pupils in the elementary school and 30 in the high and trade schools, this year we have 136 in the elementary school and 38 in the high and trade schools.

### Changes in the Teaching Staff

Two members of the teaching staff terminated their services to take effect before the opening of the fall term. Mrs. Louise M. Thayer, who had served most faithfully for many years as teacher of grades 7 and 8, presented her resignation to become effective September 1. In accepting Mrs. Thayer's resignation, the committee expressed to her in writing its appreciation of her years of earnest effort and devoted service in the Hampden schools.

The other teacher to resign was Miss Miriam Sullivan who had been teaching in the middle grades at Hampden since the fall of 1935. Miss Sullivan was not only a successful teacher, but had musical and dramatic abilities that were appreciated by the school and the community. She resigned her Hampden position to accept an opportunity in the Springfield schools.

For the vacancy in the seventh and eighth grades Hampden was very fortunate in being able to secure Mrs. Eleanor Parsons, a resident of Hampden and school principal and teacher of grades 7 and 8 at Wilbraham Street,—a position in which she was serving very successfully.

To fill the second vacancy I feel that we were likewise fortunate in the choice of Miss Anna Berte of Pittsfield, a graduate of the four-year teacher training course at the State Teachers College at North Adams, and holding the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education.

### **Restoration of Teachers' Salaries**

As a result of the business depression beginning in 1929, teachers' salaries were very generally reduced throughout the country, the average reduction in Massachusetts being about ten per cent. As soon as there appeared to be a general change for the better in business conditions, communities began to restore in whole or in part the original salary schedules.

As the Hampden salary schedule is not high, it seemed wise to the committee to make the restorations as soon as money should be provided. The appropriation this year was sufficient to permit the restoration of the cut of one hundred dollars in the salaries of all teachers and of the cut of one dollar per day of service in the salaries of the supervisors.

### **New Textbooks**

For the past several years Hampden has spent relatively little for new textbooks—so little that my predecessor, Mr. Wheeler, was very conscious of the need for a rehabilitation of the textbook equipment and so recommended to the committee. He felt, however, that his successor should be given the opportunity to recommend the books that should be purchased. This I was glad to do, having given much time during the last school year in directing committees of teachers in the study and choice of the more recent textbooks in nearly all subjects in the elementary school field. A list of basal textbooks thus chosen was presented at a special meeting of the teachers of this superintendency union in July for their examination and discussion. The purchase of these books was later authorized by the school committee insofar as funds were available. The budget permitted the purchase of a substantial number of new books this year, including basic readers for all grades and language books for the middle and upper grades. If a similar investment can be made during the next year or two,

the equipment of the schools in this particular will soon be adequate.

The other towns in the superintendency union are adopting a similar policy with reference to basal texts. There are obvious advantages in having such a uniform equipment throughout the union. It assists in establishing a uniform plan of instruction in all the schools, which, in turn, provides a common ground on which the teachers of the three towns may meet for the purpose of making a continuing study, analysis, and improvement of aims, content, and methods.

### **New Reading System**

Probably the most important single phase of the new textbook equipment now being introduced is the new system of primary reading. The Elson-Gray system was chosen after a careful analysis of many plans. This system is one of unusual merit in two respects: (1) The excellence of its plan for giving children the technical training required is widely recognized. (2) The Curriculum Foundation series of supplementary books that accompany the basic readers and have a similar vocabulary, enable primary children to gain through their own reading the elementary understandings in health, art, science, arithmetic, and the social studies. The content in each field has been prepared by subject experts and then adapted in vocabulary and concept to the reading ability and mental maturity of children at the different grade levels. The child gains information and enriches his understanding through a carefully planned curriculum at the same time he is learning to read. This Curriculum Foundation series seems to make a genuine contribution to the improvement of primary education. When Hampden completes the introduction of these books in the first three grades, the basis for an enriched course of study in the primary grades will be provided.

The readers chosen for the middle grades, 4, 5, and 6, are the Gates-Huber series, and for the upper grades, 7 and 8, the Beacon Lights of Literature. It is perhaps unnecessary to comment in detail on the various merits of these series of basal readers. Other important aids in the reading program that deserve comment are the Weekly Reader and Current Events. A copy of the former paper is provided to each pupil in grades 2 to 6, and a copy of Current Events to each pupil in grades 7 and 8. These weekly papers provide well-graded and new reading material, much of which has a bearing on daily life and current events. Such material helps to develop the interest of children in civic affairs, which should be an important outcome of public education. These papers are, therefore, doubly valuable in that they contribute both to reading ability and to an understanding of life and its problems. I hope that this service may become a permanent feature of our school program.

### **Pupil Report Cards**

The most significant difference between the new report cards introduced this fall and those formerly in use appears in a section of the new card devoted to "citizenship." Within recent years a new emphasis has been given to the duty of the schools in character and civic education. It is commonly accepted that the child's character—moral or civic—is developed through the experiences of his daily life. This being the case, we must depend upon such constructive agencies as the home, church, school, public library, boy and girl scouts, and other youth organizations to provide for children wholesome experiences—those that built right attitudes and ideals.

In attempting to assume its responsibility for moral and civic education, the school is neither relieving other

organizations from their responsibility in this direction, nor attempting to take upon itself responsibilities that do not belong to it. For nearly twenty years the laws of Massachusetts have required the public schools of all towns to train their pupils "in the duties of citizenship." It is, therefore, the rightful concern of the school that it shall provide for children, insofar as possible, those experiences that help children develop the qualities of good citizenship.

In order that the new report cards which include a report upon the pupil's progress in this important phase of his development may become of greatest value, it is hoped that parents will take a sympathetic interest with the teachers in the section of the card devoted to citizenship as well as in the other sections that are devoted to scholarship and health.

### **The Research Learning Project**

The Research Learning Project conducted under the direction of Dr. Lura Oak of the State Department of Public Health is being continued during the present school year. The staff is giving chief attention this year to the pupils in grades 1 and 2, the endeavor being to discover and bring about the remedy of any type of defect or difficulty that may handicap the child in learning—particularly in learning to read.

A vision survey including all pupils in grades 1 and 2, also several older pupils who were suspected of visual defect, was conducted during the fall term. The personnel of the clinic consisted of the director, a trained oculist, a psychologist, and two nurses. As a result of this survey, it was found that four children in grade 1, one in grade 2, and five in the grades above have some visual defect that needs the immediate attention of an

oculist. In the cases of four other pupils an examination by an oculist was considered advisable. Seven pupils were found whose eyes should be retested annually by a competent oculist. Later in the year Dr. Oak is to have a retest made of these children who were found to have some visual defect.

In addition to the vision survey, reading readiness tests have been given to all pupils in grade 1. Our teachers have assisted Dr. Oak in giving the Metropolitan Reading Test to all pupils in grade 2. Miss Forster, the psychologist connected with the clinic, is to give the Pintner-Cunningham Intelligence test to all pupils in grade 1. By means of these various tests, it is expected that those children not making the progress they should make will be discovered and that the nature of their difficulties will be brought to light. Dr. Oak is soon to begin remedial work with individual pupils. Clearly the earlier in the school life of the child any such defects are discovered and corrected, the greater the good accomplished. Hampden is fortunate, indeed, to be one of the very few towns served by Dr. Oak and her staff at no cost to the town for services.

### **Wilhameadow Teachers Association**

Because of small numbers, the Hampden teachers have not heretofore carried on the work of a teachers' association. The teachers in each of the other two towns in the union maintained a teachers' association—necessarily small in membership. After some consideration, it seemed wise to all concerned that there should be organized a teachers' association to include all teachers of the superintendency union. Such an organization was perfected at a dinner meeting held at the Hampden Town House on Monday, November 22. The meeting was attended by all teachers and supervisors, as well as by

school committee members and members of the health staff in the several towns. Following the organization of the association, known as the Wilhameadow Association, the meeting adjourned to the auditorium where Mr. Hugh Nixon, secretary of the Massachusetts Teachers Federation, gave an address on Horace Mann.

It is felt that the new association including all the teachers of the union will enable the teachers to consider their professional problems as a unit. The teachers will be able to secure better qualified professional help by reason of larger financial resources, and the professional interests of the teaching corps can be better sustained in the larger group.

#### **American Education Week**

During American Education Week, which is now generally observed throughout the country, the attempt is made by school officials, teachers, and the American Legion to draw the attention of the public to the work and needs of the public schools. In view of the fact that the fathers, and some of the mothers, are unable to visit schools during the day, it was decided this year to hold an evening session of school on Wednesday, November 10, of American Education Week. Special invitations were sent to parents to attend the evening session, when a series of class exercises was arranged in the several classrooms with a view to giving the parents an understanding of the work that is carried on from day to day. At 8:30 parents and children adjourned from the classrooms to the assembly hall where a fifteen-minute period of music and community singing was held under the leadership of Mrs. Morse. Through the cooperation of the school committee, transportation drivers, teachers, and parents, the plan was carried out and a large number of parents took advantage of this

opportunity to visit the schools. It is estimated that about 175 parents and friends of pupils were present.

### **Well-Child Conference**

Hampden was one of the towns chosen this year by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for the holding of a Well-Child Conference, the object being to discover in pre-school children any physical defects that may be handicapping their growth and to confer with parents in regard to methods of child care. Two clinics were held at the Town House, the first on July 27, 28, and 29, and the second on September 7 and 8. The members of the clinic staff included Dr. Sallie Saunders, physician; Mrs. Madelene Pollock, child welfare nurse; Miss Catherine Hayes, nutritionist; Miss Evelyn Morse, dental hygienist; Miss Marjorie Adams, consultant nurse. Of the pre-school population, considered to be 86 children, 76 were brought to the clinic and examined. These 76 children represented 46 families. As a result of the examination, 25 children were found to need medical attention, 29 dental attention, 11 needed both medical and dental attention, 58 were deficient in nutrition, 2 children had defects of the nose, and 6 defects of the throat. Since the clinical examinations, the homes of these children have been visited by Miss Archambault, nurse from the Springfield Visiting Nurse Association, and considerable corrective work has already been done. Obviously it is of great advantage to children when any physical defects or habit defects can be discovered and corrected early in life. It would appear that if all children who enter the first grade of the public schools could previously have the benefits of the Well-Child Clinic it would be a great advantage both to the children and to the community. Though the town had the free services of the Well-Child Clinic the first year, its value has been so clearly demonstrated that it would seem to

be very worthy of continued support, even though financed from local sources.

### **The Operetta**

On May 20 and 21, 1937, the Consolidated School presented the operetta, "It Happened in Holland." With a reputation established the previous year through "The Smiling Sixpence," the pupils and teachers worked diligently and faithfully to maintain the same standard of excellence. The production was received most favorably by the audience and pronounced an improvement over the previous one. The scenery, especially the "back-drop", was exceptionally well done. The costumes and accessories were made largely in the art classes. A marked improvement in gracefulness, poise, and rhythm was shown by the characters in the cast. The fact that about half the children in the school are able to take part adds much to the merits of an operetta as a school project. After all expenses were paid there remained a net profit of \$70.

### **Projector and Screen Paid For**

With the profits from moving pictures presented under the auspices of the school, the balance due on the movie projector and screen was paid. Additional movie programs have resulted in a net gain financially of \$9.00. This amount with the operetta fund is being held for investment in some worthwhile school equipment.

### **Improvements to School Property**

During this year important improvements to school building and grounds have been made. A layer of trap rock dust was laid over the entire playground area, which enables the children to use the playground when it would otherwise be wet, muddy, and generally unfit for use. The school committee cooperated with the select-

men in another important project, namely, in grading and surfacing the road leading back of the schoolhouse. This work was done in such a way that the drainage from the playground is lead away from the building. These may be regarded as important improvements to the school grounds.

The increase in the elementary school membership in Hampden has made it necessary to equip the basement classroom in the Town House so that it may be used regularly for class purposes. A new wardrobe with ventilation—similar to those in the other classrooms—has been installed and the blackboard area enlarged. With these improvements the basement classroom is very satisfactory.

In addition to the new equipment installed in the basement classroom, two new electric clocks have been provided, one in the principal's room and one in the third-grade room.

I wish to call attention to the reports submitted by various staff members, including that of the school nurse, school physician, and school dentist.

### **Report of the School Dentist**

There follows a summary of the work of Dr. Fiske, school dentist.

Visits	103
Patients	103
Examinations	103
Cleanings	92
Permanent teeth filled	104
Temporary teeth filled	53
Permanent teeth extracted	10
Temporary teeth extracted	97

Amalgam fillings	110
Cement fillings	94
Porcelain fillings	12
Abscessed teeth	31
Operations	722
Certificates issued	57
Signed for clinic	138

### Report of School Physician and School Nurse

During the year the school physician, assisted by the school nurse, has vaccinated 11 children, given diphtheria immunization and Schick test treatment to 18, and physical examinations to 120. Twenty-three parents were present at the time of the physical examination. Their presence gave an opportunity for conference and for the distribution of literature from the State Department of Public Health pertaining to nutrition, preparation of meals, and exercises for improving posture and feet. Eighty-three children were found to have some physical defect or defects. These included 62 children needing dental care, 24 with defective tonsils, 5 with poor posture, 2 with heart condition, and 7 with indications of flat feet. As compared with the previous examination, 8 children showed some improvement in nutrition; 15 showed improvement in posture; eight children had had tonsils removed during the year, and 13 children showed improvement of feet.

In April 126 children were weighed; 79 rated A, 9 rated D or unsatisfactory, one child had lost weight, and one child showed no gain. In September 132 were weighed; 72 rated A, 10 rated D, and one had lost weight.

Nine children were taken by the school nurse to the oculist in Springfield. In seven cases glasses were

prescribed and in the other two cases exercises were recommended.

Dr. Sloane of Boston examined the eyes of all first and second grade children and others recommended by the nurse or teachers, with the result that ten were recommended for immediate examination by an oculist. Visits to the homes of these children have been made in all but one instance, with the result that the nurse has taken four to the oculist and has appointments for two others in January. In three instances the parents promised to see that the examinations were made.

Two children spent twenty-eight days during their summer vacation at Camp Frederic Edwards and each made a gain in weight of two and one-quarter pounds. Von Pirquet tests given these children were negative.

The work of the past year has necessitated 87 visits to schools, homes, oculist, optician, and 129 consultations with teachers, parents, and others. First-aid treatment and attention to skin conditions has been given in 119 cases.

We wish to thank the teachers, school committee, and selectmen for their cooperation.

*Respectfully submitted,*

A. A. STARBUCK, M. D.,  
School Physician

SIGNE L. POLSON, R. N.,  
School Nurse

In conclusion I wish to commend the generally fine spirit that prevails among teachers and pupils in the Hampden school, also the earnest effort of teachers to do

their part in developing in their pupils the qualities of courtesy, respect, cooperation, regard for school property, and other fine attitudes that in the long run will be worth a great deal both to the children and to the community. I wish, also, to thank the school committee, supervisors, and teachers for their most cordial cooperation in the various undertakings since the beginning of my term of office.

Respectfully yours,

BURR F. JONES

## SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1937-1938

Fall Term:

Tuesday, September 7, to Thursday, December 23.

Winter Term:

Monday, January 3, to Friday, February 25.

Spring Term:

Monday, March 7, to Friday, April 29.

Summer Term:

Monday, May 9, to Tuesday, June 21.

The schools are closed on Monday, September 20, Children's Day at the Eastern States Exposition; Friday, October 29, annual meeting of the Hampden County Teachers' Association; on Wednesday noon, November 24, for the rest of the week, Thanksgiving Day recess; on Friday, April 15, Good Friday; on one day during the spring term, teachers' visiting day; and on all legal holidays.

## TABLES OF STATISTICS

### Children in the School Census and Their Distribution

October 1, 1937

	5 to 7 years	7 to 14 years	14 to 16 years	Total
Boys	14	63	13	90
Girls	18	48	8	74
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Total	32	111	21	164
<b>Distribution:</b>				
In public school	21	109	20	150
In vocational school	0	0	1	1
In private school	0	2	0	2
Not enrolled in any school	11	0	0	11
	—	—	—	—
	32	111	21	164
Total on Oct. 1, 1936,	20	116	28	164

### School Membership and Attendance, 1936-1937

Teacher	Average Daily Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Per Cent of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Cases of Dismissal
Mrs. Thayer	24.88	30	26.60	93.53	9	11
Mrs. Flynn	29.68	35	31.46	94.45	6	1
Miss Sullivan	22.95	28	23.84	96.25	2	4
Miss Fox	23.36	27	24.46	95.5	3	1
Miss Slight	24.15	28	25.90	93.24	9	6
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	125.02	148	132.26	94.59	29	23

### School Membership During Five-Year Period, 1932-1937

(As of December in each year)

#### Hampden Elementary School

Grade	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
1932	15	16	13	10	9	16	15	12	107
1933	16	17	17	10	13	17	11	12	113
1934	20	17	14	17	11	17	16	10	122
1935	32	15	15	15	20	12	16	17	142
1936	13	25	12	16	23	16	16	10	131
1937	24	8	26	17	20	14	17	10	136

#### Hampden Pupils in Springfield High and Trade Schools

	Classical	Classical	Technical	High School	Trade	Total
	Junior	Senior		of		
	High	High	High	Commerce	Schools	
1932	9	2	10	5	4	30*
1933	10	5	11	11	5	42
1934	12	8	8	10	9	47
1935	11	10	9	11	5	46
1936	12	8	7	10	3	40
1937	11**	3	11	8	5	38

\* One pupil attended Agawam Agricultural School

\*\* This includes one pupil in the Central Street Junior High School

#### Grammar School Graduates, June, 1937

Donald F. Dunlea	A. Joseph King
Lily Jackeline Duquette	Carl F. Libby
Shirley Blair Fuller	Winifred Louise Medicke
Mary Elizabeth Gagnier	Jean B. Mitchell
Lorna Louise Harris	Jack L. Simonds
Delphine Rhena Howlett	

## HONOR ROLL

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### On Honor Roll of Springfield Schools

#### One or More Times During 1937

Helen Balsler	Albert Hoaglund
Richard Fuller	Joseph King
Shirley Fuller	Winifred Medicke
Imelda Guilmette	Hope Mitchell
Donald Hayes	Jean Mitchell

#### Perfect Attendance, 1936-1937

Marjorie Brehart	Lorna Harris
Arthur Carrier	Real Leduc
Phyllis Cumming	Alden Libby
Marilyn Fisher	Winifred Prickett
Earle Harris	

#### Awarded Physical Efficiency Buttons During 1937

Pauline Bouchard	Warren Morton
Ella Carder	Marion Mottle
Roberta Dickinson	Ethel Peterson
George Fisher	Vernon Rodimon
Alice Fuller	Fred Small
Barbara Hastings	Joyce Small
Jean Mitchell	

#### Awarded Certificate by the A. N. Palmer Co., 1936-37

#### for Excellence in Penmanship

Winifred Medicke

## SCHOOL DIRECTORY, JAN. 1, 1938

### Superintendent of Schools

Burr F. Jones, Mapleshade Avenue, East Longmeadow

### Superintendent's Clerk

Emily O. Cormier, White Avenue, East Longmeadow

### Teachers

Mrs. Catherine L. Flynn, Principal, Hampden

Grades 5 and 6

Mrs. Eleanor B. Parsons, Main Street, Hampden

Grades 7 and 8

Florence L. Fox, 128 Franklin Street, Westfield

Grades 4 and 5

Anna E. Berte, 74 Perrine Avenue, Pittsfield

Grade 3

Lucy A. Slight, 358 South Street, Agawam

Grades 1 and 2

### Supervisor of Drawing

Mrs. Helen B. Tower, Allen Street, Hampden,

P. O. address East Longmeadow

### Supervisor of Music

Mrs. Ethel C. Morse, 244 Pearl St., Springfield

### School Physician

Dr. A. A. Starbuck, 6 Maple Street, Springfield

### School Nurse

Signe L. Polson, 36 Summit Street, Springfield

### School Dentist

Dr. Harold I. Fiske, Hampden

### Supervisors of Attendance

Fred A. Perkins, Hampden

Walter Lyons, Hampden

## Town Warrant

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss

To ARTHUR H. GERRISH,

Constable of the Town of Hampden:

### GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs and Elections, to meet at the Town House on Monday, the seventh day of February, A. D. 1938, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, three Selectmen who shall be the Board of Public Welfare, one Collector of Taxes, three Constables, one Tree Warden, one Auditor—all for the term of one year; also one School Committee, one Cemetery Commissioner, one Assessor and one Library Trustee—all for the term of three years; and five members of the planning board—one to be elected for five years, one for four years, one for three years, one for two years and one for one year and thereafter one each year for a five year term.

All to be on one ballot. Also to choose all other necessary Town Officers. The polls open at 10:15 A. M. and may close at 6 P. M.

Article 3. To hear the annual reports of all officers of the Town and any committee whose duty it may be to report at said meeting and act thereon.

Article 4. To fix the compensation of all officers of the Town, in accordance with Section 8, Chap. 591, Acts of 1920; and also all other employees of the Town.

Article 5. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund, now in the hands of the Treasurer.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appoint an agent or agents to institute or prosecute or defend suits and actions at law to which the Town may be a party.

Article 7. To see if the Town will accept the sum of \$50.00 for the Perpetual care of the George and Jennie Shaw cemetery lot.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$579.60 for Street Lights.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the replacement of all Street Lights discontinued as an economy measure some years ago.

Article 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to replacing the Street Lights or Light on the East Longmeadow Road at the curve near Carmody Road, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the Commonwealth.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,550.00 for the repair and maintenance of Town Roads, and instruct the Selectmen to petition and contract with the Commissioners of the Department of Public Works, under the provisions of Chapter 81, Sec. 28 of the General Laws.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of Glendale Road, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00, to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the widening and repairing of Chapin Road, to be used in conjunction with Chapter 81 money.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the widening and repairing of North Road, to be used in conjunction with Chapter 81 money.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to change the method of electing the Selectmen; beginning in 1939 elect one Selectman for a three year term, one for a two year term and one for a one year term, and each year thereafter elect one Selectman for a three year term.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept the map and by-laws prepared by the Planning Board, in accordance with an affirmative vote of Article 19 of the last Annual Meeting, or act in any manner thereon.

Article 19. To see what action the Town will take in regard to continuing the Pre-School Clinic started last year by the State, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to rescind a vote passed at town meeting under date of February 6, 1933 relative to payment of costs attendant to town caucuses.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to pay caucus officers (compensation for services to be performed at the various town caucuses) and also the printing of ballots.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for WPA projects for 1938.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$282.48 for Gypsy Moth Control.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Tent Caterpillar control.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of a Dental Clinic, in accordance with provisions of Sec. 50 Chap. 111, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see what action the Town will take towards providing a garage for the Road Machinery, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and maintenance of the Fire Truck purchased last year.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Forest Fire Equipment.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in accordance with Chap. 218, Acts of 1920, an act relative to the care of Soldiers and Sailors graves.

Article 30. To see what action the Town will take in regards to disposing of the Number One School Property.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1938, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Sec. 17, Chap. 44, General Laws.

Article 32. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and carry into effect any vote or votes passed under the preceding articles; and to appropriate the same, also how such money shall be raised.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the places designated by the Town. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty fourth day of January, 1938.

NEIL S. KIBBE

NORMAN W. MILLARD

Selectmen of Hampden

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Please bring this book to  
Town Meeting as it is the  
only copy you are entitled to.